Salt River Fire Department Operating Guidelines

PPE Cleaning Schedule

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Purpose

To ensure all personnel's PPE gear is being cleaned and decontaminated on a regular basis. Regular cleaning of PPE helps reduce wear and tear on the gear thus extending the life of the gear, which in turn, reduces budget expenditures. This will also decrease the amount of exposure to toxic chemicals and blood borne pathogens that the gear absorbs during regular course of duty.

Cleaning schedule

During your first week of rotation at station 292.

- 1. The whole shift will break down their gear ready for cleaning.
- 2. Make sure all gear is marked properly.
- 3. This will be done coming off duty.
- 4. The on duty crew will be responsible for washing, drying, stacking the off duty crews gear and storing.

This process will be repeated until all three crews gear is cleaned.

The cleaning process will be repeated during the last month of rotation at 293. This will ensure all personnel's gear is being cleaned at least twice a year.

Note: Any gross contamination in between cleaning cycles should be done immediately as time allows. This cleaning process should be done at the end of a shifts tour involving a working fire.